

Appendix

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Estuary Ecosystem Criteria- Adopted 12/99

1. Associated creek systems
 - (5) Multiple species creek
 - (4) Cutthroat trout creek with potential for multiple species
 - (3) Cutthroat trout creek
 - (2) Potential multiple species fish supporting creek
 - (1) Potential cutthroat creek
 - (0) No creek
2. Potential for reestablishment of an anadromous fish run- (5)
3. Acres of potentially restorable estuarine habitat that has been either cut off from tidal influences or has been degraded by man made structures or has been infested with invasive plants
 - ❖ A ranking score will be calculated by taking the number of acres of restorable habitat in the entire known historical estuary and multiplying it by .01
4. Quality of existing estuarine habitat
 - (5) High-predominantly native plant species/little human disturbance
 - (3) Moderate-mixture of native and invasive/some human disturbance
 - (1) Low-predominantly invasive/introduced species-significant human disturbance
5. Quality of existing estuarine riparian habitat
 - (5) High-predominantly native plant species/little human disturbance
 - (3) Moderate-mixture of native and invasive/some human disturbance
 - (1) Low-predominantly invasive/introduced species-significant human disturbance
6. Associated Nearshore Habitat-Eelgrass/Forage Fish Spawning
 - (5) Eelgrass/Forage Fish Spawning
 - (3) Eelgrass or Forage Fish Spawning
 - (2) High quality Nearshore habitat
 - (1) Highly impacted Nearshore habitat
7. Distance from major mainland fish supporting tributaries
 - (5) Right across from the mouth of multiple tributaries
 - (4) Right across from the mouth of one tributary
 - (3) Moderate distance from the tributaries
 - (1) Far from the nearest tributaries

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Creek Ecosystem Criteria-Adopted 12/99

Fish Species

- (5) Multiple species
- (4) Cutthroat trout
- (3) Cutthroat trout with potential for multiple species
- (2) Potential for multiple species
- (0) Potential for cutthroat trout

Quality of existing riparian habitat

- (5) High-predominantly native plant species/little human disturbance
- (3) Moderate-mixture of native and invasive/some human disturbance
- (1) Low-predominantly invasive/introduced species-significant human disturbance

Miles of Creek

- (5) 4.1-5 miles
- (4) 3.1-4 miles
- (3) 2.1-3 miles
- (2) 1.1-2 miles
- (1) .1-1 miles

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SRFB Project Ranking Criteria- Adopted October 29, 2001

1. Is direct protection or the reconnection of salmon habitat being obtained?
2. Are natural ecosystem processes being restored?
3. Does the action directly benefit the abundance, diversity and distribution of salmon or does the study directly identify these actions?
4. How well does the project address limiting factors or fill data gaps that have been identified in the Limiting Factors Analysis?
5. How well does this project/study fit into the overall Island County Strategy?
6. Is this project part of a regional salmon recovery effort?
7. Does the action address a time sensitive opportunity or impending threat to a significant habitat asset or ecosystem processes?
8. Does the action(s) have a high likelihood of completion within 2-3 years?
9. Is the project or study approach to protection or restoration well designed?
10. Are there any partnerships either already established or in progress? Is the project adequately supported by technical advisors?
11. Has a plan been established for adequate public involvement and outreach for the project?
12. How solid is the baseline monitoring or long-term monitoring plan? For studies, have the protocols being used been approved by the state or federal government?
13. Is there a clear link to future projects?
14. Does the project build support for local salmon recovery efforts?